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SUBJECT: UNGA SECOND COMMITTEE ADOPTS TRIENNIAL
COMPREHENSIVE POLICY REVIEW AND WORK PROGRAM FOR 63RD
SESSION

REF: USUN 1162 AND PREVIOUS

¶1. Summary. On December 18, the UN General Assembly's Second Committee adopted by consensus the draft resolution on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR) of operational activities for development of the UN system. The Committee also adopted the draft program of work for the 63rd UNGA session and concluded its work for the 62nd UNGA session. End summary.

¶2. Under Agenda item 59(b), operational activities for development, the Committee considered draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.63 entitled "Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system." The massive resolution, with 143 operative paragraphs, was the product of intense negotiations and the last substantive resolution to be adopted by the Second Committee. The Chair announced that there was no Program Budget Implication (PBI) associated with the resolution and the Committee adopted it by consensus. The U.S. delivered a statement, which can be found under the December 18 Press Releases at <http://www.un.int/usa>. Pakistan (on behalf of the G-77 and China), Portugal (on behalf of the EU), and Japan all emphasized that although difficult compromises were made by delegations, they were satisfied with reaching a consensus text. Norway stated that this resolution helps build trust among member states towards creating a UN that is able to deliver better and more effectively to those who need it most. Belarus commented that it considers paragraphs in the resolution that refer to technology transfer as particularly including energy technologies.

¶3. The committee adopted by consensus draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.62 entitled "Draft Programme of work of the Second Committee for the sixty-third session of the General Assembly," submitted under Agenda item 121. Also, the committee considered Agenda item 129, Programme planning, but based on the UN Secretariat's evaluation it required no action by the Committee. The Chair then concluded the session for this 62nd UNGA, nearly two weeks later than its originally scheduled completion date.
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